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OXYGEN SCAVENGING POLYMERS

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT
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This paper is submitted in response to the Election Requirement dated October 4, 2001, for which the date for response is November 4, 2001.

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In the Election Requirement, the Examiner stated election was required of one species in each of the following genera:

Genus No.	Description of Genus
I	Oxygen barrier polymers of claim 3
II	Oxygen scavenging polymers of p. 7, lines 15-30 and structures I, II, or III
III	Compatibilizers which are block copolymers comprising EVOH, PVDC, PET, polyethylene naphthalate, or polyamide other than MXD6

Applicants elect, without traverse, the following species in each of the above genera:

Genus No.	Elected Species
I	polymers or copolymers of vinylidene dichloride
II	polymers containing structure I, wherein q_1 , q_2 , q_3 , q_4 , and r are hydrogen; m is $-(CH_2)_1-$; and the linking group is $-(C=O)-O-(CHR)_0-$
III	Compatibilizer which is a block copolymer comprising PVDC

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned patent agent at (713) 934-4065 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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